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Dear Mr. Nguyen:

Attached please find a copy of the returned postcard and Response to Restriction Requirement, for Serial No. 09/526,955, filed March 16, 2000, which was mailed on December 20, 2001 and received at the USPTO on January 23, 2002.

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Please stamp and return this postcard to acknowledge receipt of a Response to Restriction Requirement for patent application entitled, "Wafer Level Burn-In Using Light as the Stimulating Signal", invented by Woodberry, Serial No. 09/526,955, filed March 16, 2000, Group Art Unit 2825, Examiner: V. P. Nguyen.

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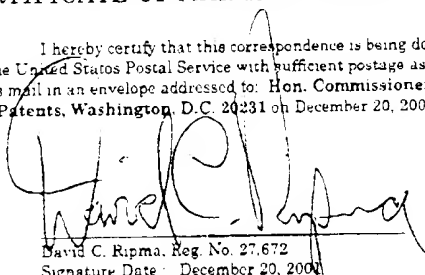
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	) <u>PATENT APPLICATION</u>
Inventor: Meral Bradley Woodberry	) December 20, 2001
Serial No.: 09/526,955	) <u>ATTORNEY DOCKET</u>
	) No. SMT 391
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Title: WAFER LEVEL BURN-IN USING LIGHT AS THE STIMULATING SIGNAL	) Examiner: V. P. Nguyen

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

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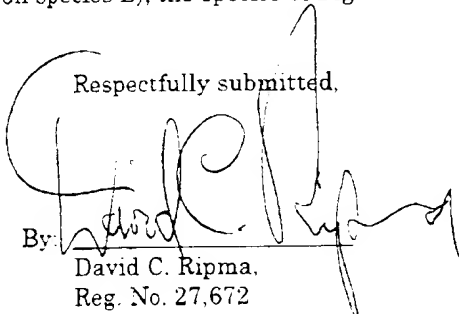
November 26, 2001 in the above-identified patent application. In the Office Action the Examiner requires election of a single species for prosecution, from among the species identified by the Examiner as follows:

- A) species of Fig. 6;
- B) species of Fig. 7;
- C) species of Fig. 8; and
- D) species of Fig. 9.

The Examiner identified no claim as generic.

Applicant hereby elects to pursue species B), the species of Fig. 7, for prosecution on the merits and to which the claims will be restricted if no generic claim is ultimately held allowable. Applicant identifies claims 1 through 4 and 6 through 9 as readable on species B), the species of Fig. 7.

Date: Dec. 20, 2001

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